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I. COMMITTEE ESTABLISHMENT

Each department and Constitutional Office shall establish and maintain a Department/Office Safety Committee chaired by the Department Head/Constitutional Officer, or in his/her absence, by his/her appointee. The Department Head/Constitutional Officer is responsible for the overall safety of their employees and shall utilize the Departmental Safety Committee in an advisory nature in carrying out the following responsibilities.

II. RESPONSIBILITIES

- A. Prepare and disseminate to all employees, the written safety and health standards departmental personnel are to follow.
- B. Conduct surveys and evaluations of all departmental work areas with a positive view of eliminating hazards, thereby preventing accidents or injuries.
- C. Conduct surveys and evaluations concerning the conditions of safety of tools, equipment and facilities with a positive view of eliminating hazards, thereby preventing accidents or injuries and assuring compliance with the provisions of the Virginia Occupational Safety and Health Act.
- D. Conduct necessary training to assure employees know, understand, and practice all known safety measures and procedures.
- E. Assure that supervisors constantly check and properly supervise the practice of all known safety measures and procedures.
- F. Should accident or injury occur, make comprehensive study and evaluation to determine cause, determine responsibility and take corrective or disciplinary actions.
- G. Completely disseminate throughout the department, information surrounding accidents or injuries with the view of informing employees of causes so that this knowledge may prevent a recurrence.
- H. Relay information surrounding departmental accidents or injuries and actions taken to the Executive Safety Committee for further dissemination.
- I. Listen to suggestions that employees make about safety, and report them to the Committee.
- J. Pursuing the study of safety by talks, films, and other educational activities in Committee meetings.
- K. Furnish the Safety Coordinator copies of investigative reports of all accidents auto or bodily injury involving compensable losses.

III. <u>COMMITTEE MEETINGS</u>

Departmental Safety Committee meetings shall meet quarterly, or as often as the need arises, to carry out its defined responsibilities.